

Amendment No. 1 to SB2307

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 2307*

House Bill No. 2521

by adding the following language immediately preceding the effective date section and by renumbering the subsequent section accordingly:

SECTION __. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-16-102, is amended by deleting subsection (a) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(a) There is hereby created the board of examiners for nursing home administrators which shall consist of eight (8) members to be appointed by the governor as follows:

(1) Four (4) members shall be representatives of the nursing home industry, three (3) of whom may be appointed from lists of qualified persons submitted to the governor by interested health care groups including, but not limited to, the Tennessee Health Care Association, and one (1) of whom shall be a nursing home administrator who may be appointed from lists of qualified persons submitted by interested hospital groups including, but not limited to, the Tennessee Hospital Association;

(2) One (1) member shall be a hospital administrator who may be appointed from lists of qualified persons submitted by interested hospital groups including, but not limited to, the Tennessee Hospital Association;

(3) One (1) member shall be a physician who may be appointed from a list of qualified physician nominees submitted by interested medical groups including, but not limited to, the Tennessee Medical Association;

(4) One (1) member shall be a nurse representative who may be appointed from lists of qualified persons submitted by interested nursing groups including, but not limited to, the Tennessee Nurses Association; and

(5) One (1) member shall be consumer representative.

SECTION __. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-16-102, is further amended by deleting subsection (b) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(b)(1) Each member shall serve for three (3) years, except that initially three (3) members shall be appointed for a term of three (3) years, three (3) members for a term of two (2) years, and two (2) members for a term of one (1) year. At the expiration of a member's term, each interested group may submit lists of qualified persons to the governor for appointment to that vacancy in the same manner as provided for initial appointments in subsection (a). Any vacancy occurring on the board prior to the expiration of a member's term may also be filled by the governor for the unexpired term from lists of qualified persons submitted by the interested groups as provided for initial appointments in subsection (a).

(2) In making appointments to the board, the governor shall strive to ensure that at least one (1) person serving on the board is sixty (60) years of age or older and that at least one (1) person serving on the board is a member of a racial minority.

(3) The governor shall consult with interested medical groups including, but not limited to, the nominating associations for the respective classifications listed in subsection (a) to determine qualified persons to fill the positions. The provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to the appointment of the consumer representative member.